

The Board of Public Works of the State of Maryland met at the office of the Governor, in the Union Trust Building, Baltimore, July 24, 1916.

Present: Governor Emerson C. Harrington,  
Comptroller Hugh A. McMullen,  
Treasurer John M. Dennis.

The minutes of the meeting of July 19, 1916, were read and approved.

Bids previously submitted by Dulany, -Vernay Co., Meyer & Thalheimer and Lucas Bros. for supplies for the Executive Department, the State Library and the Court of Appeals, were considered and the contract for same was awarded, to Meyer & Thalheimer, at their bid of \$313.95.

On motion, unanimously carried, the Board directed that the rent of offices of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles be paid monthly, when due.

A letter from J. Enos Ray, Jr., State Auditor, was read, in which he stated that his department would audit the books and accounts of the Board of Shell Fish Commissioners, the Board of State Aid and Charities and those of the State's Attorney of Baltimore City, as previously directed by the Board.

The bill of Jory & Company for \$4.50 was passed and ordered paid.

The Board considered the question of expense of publication of laws passed by the General Assembly of 1916, required by law to be published. Action deferred and question held for further consideration.

The letter of Fletcher & Jones, Attorneys, of Cambridge, relative to claims of \$25 each of Ishmael Willey and Louis Marshall against E. J. Plowden, Commander, were considered, and the Secretary was directed to inform said Attorneys that the amounts referred to which were collected by Commander Plowden, had been covered into the Treasury of the State and that an Act of the Legislature would be necessary before the same could be refunded to the above named claimants.

The bill of the Baltimore American for \$33.00 for advertising for bids for supplies for the Executive Department, the State Library and the Court of Appeals was passed and ordered paid.

The Board directed that bids for future supplies aggregating less than \$500 be not advertised without special order of Board.

A letter from Dr. Hering, dated June 30, 1916, relative to the lease of offices was read and considered, but action thereon was deferred.

A letter from Hugh A. McMullen, Comptroller, relative to the payment of bills rendered for office rents in the Garrett Building, aggregating \$680.49 and asking if same were correct and should be paid, was read, and action was deferred pending investigation as to correctness of same.

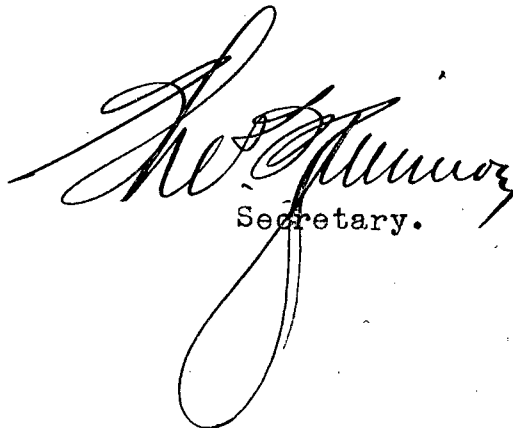
The Secretary was directed to secure a statement of the cost of lighting the State Buildings at Annapolis, for year beginning with June 1914 and ending May 31, 1915, for comparison with the subsequent year.

The Secretary was also directed to negotiate with the Annapolis Water Company for better water rates for the State Buildings at Annapolis.

The question previously considered of paying to Harry Hopkins the sum of \$25 per month for services to the Board was considered and action thereon was again deferred.

A letter from William H. Killian, Secretary of the Conservation Commission, relative to the organization of Fish Hatchery work was read but no action was taken thereon.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.